

**Young Chickens Slaughtered under Federal Inspection,
Classified by Weight, weekending: May 19, 2001**

Trade sentiment was generally steady. Demand was light to moderate, best where media promotions were in progress. Offerings were at least sufficient for trade needs. Breast items were fully adequate. Leg items varied but were at least adequate. Wings were readily available. Weights ranged desirable to heavy, mostly desirable.

	FOOD SERVICE/ <u>FAST FOOD</u>	<u>RETAIL</u>	<u>DEBONING</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
Weight Range	4.20 & Down	4.21 – 5.25	5.26 & Up	---
Total (000)	31,129	32,874	48,104	112,107
Percentage	28%	29%	43%	100%

Fast Food and Food Service Sizes

<u>Live Weight</u>	<u>RTC WOG Weight</u>	<u>No. of Head (000)</u>	<u>Percentage of Total Slaughter</u>
3.60 lbs. & Lighter	Under 2 lbs., 8 oz.	3,176	2.83
3.61 - 3.80 lbs.	2 lbs., 8 oz. - 2 lbs., 10 oz.	10,905	9.73
3.81 - 4.00 lbs.	2 lbs., 10 oz. - 2 lbs., 12 oz.	9,070	8.09
4.01 - 4.20 lbs.	2 lbs., 12 oz. - 2 lbs., 14 oz.	<u>7,978</u>	<u>7.12</u>
		31,129	27.77

BROILER EGGS SET/CHICKS PLACED IN 15 STATES COMPARED WITH U.S. BROILER SLAUGHTER

Slaughter Week	Egg Sets		Chicks Placed		Eggs Set 10 Weeks Previous		Chicks Placed 7 Weeks Previous		Prelim. Fed. Insp. Million head Slaughtered	
	(000)	%*	(000)	%*	(000)	%*	(000)	%*	(000)	%**
Apr 07	184,900	98	149,023	101	177,434	99	141,293	99	153,854	102
Apr 14	184,315	98	149,001	101	178,493	100	142,593	101	144,057	94
Apr 21	182,701	98	147,163	99	180,246	101	143,883	102	151,270	105
Apr 28	183,741	99	149,245	99	181,711	102	146,406	103	156,893	104
May 05	184,660	101	149,877	99	184,325	101	148,973	101	157,022	100
May 12	186,783	100	149,359	99	185,689	101	150,747	101	157,969	101
May 19	186,562	100	149,697	100	184,834	100	150,234	100	160,375	102
May 26	186,096	101	149,570	101	184,715	100	148,386	101	160,883	100

Data in bold are subject to revision *Percent of previous year **Percent change from previous week

Whole Broiler/Fryers (cents/lb.)

Week of 06/04/01

	<u>Current Week</u>	<u>Previous Week</u>	<u>Year Ago</u>
New York Grade A Ice-packed	55.04	54.13	53.14
Chicago Grade A Ice-packed	54.14	54.03	48.48
Los Angeles Grade A Ice-packed	66.58	65.67	63.28
12-City Composite Weighted Avg.	59.66	59.47	56.13
Georgia Dock FOB Final Weighted Avg.	62.27	61.65	57.10
Southern States FOB Whole Body 5 day Avg. Index	51.09	53.39	35.82

Broiler/Fryer Parts (cents/lb.)

Weekly Weighted Average

	<u>Northeast (Delivered) 06/01/01</u>	<u>Southern States (FOB) 06/01/01</u>	<u>Georgia (FOB) 06/04/01</u>
Breast - B/S	146.06	158.36	144.00
Tenderloins	144.90	161.72	---
Breast - Line Run	76.58	82.60	81.00 (Whole)
Leg Quarters	30.32	27.05	29.50
Wings	102.10	96.34	99.00